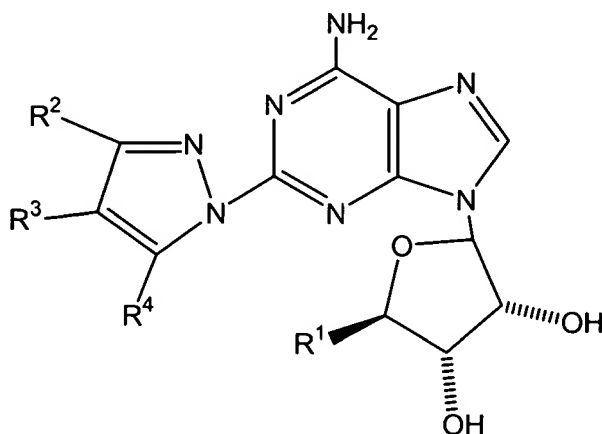


1. (Twice amended) A compound having the formula:



wherein R^1 is $-CH_2OH$;

R^2 and R^4 are each hydrogen;

R^3 is selected from the group consisting of CO_2R^{20} , $-CONR^7R^8$ and aryl wherein the aryl substituent is optionally substituted with from 1 to 2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-6} alkyl, CF_3 and OR^{20} ;

R^7 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C_{1-8} alkyl and aryl, wherein the alkyl and aryl substituents are optionally substituted with one substituent selected from the group consisting of halo, aryl, CF_3 , CN, and OR^{20} and wherein each optional aryl substituent is optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of halo, alkyl, CF_3 , CN, and OR^{20} ;

R^8 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_{1-8} alkyl; and

R^{20} is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_{1-8} alkyl.

2. (Twice amended) The compound of claim 1 wherein R^3 is selected from the group consisting of CO_2R^{20} , $-CONR^7R^8$, and aryl that is optionally substituted with from 1 to 2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-3} alkyl, CF_3 and OR^{20} ;

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R^7 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, and C_{1-8} alkyl that is optionally substituted with one substituent selected from the group consisting of halo, CF_3 , CN and OR^{20} ;

R^8 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_{1-3} alkyl; and

R^{20} is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_{1-4} alkyl.

2/Conc'd 3 9. (Twice amended) The compound of claim 1 wherein R^3 is selected from the group consisting of CO_2R^{20} , $-CONR^7R^8$, and aryl that is optionally substituted with one substituent selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-3} alkyl, and OR^{20} ;

R^7 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, and C_{1-3} alkyl that is optionally substituted with one substituent selected from the group consisting of halo, CF_3 , CN and OR^{20} ;

R^8 is hydrogen; and

R^{20} is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_{1-4} alkyl.

4 10. (Twice amended) The compound of claim 1 wherein R^3 is selected from the group consisting of CO_2R^{20} , $-CONR^7R^8$, and aryl that is optionally substituted with one substituent selected from the group consisting of halo, C_{1-3} alkyl and OR^{20} ;

R^7 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, and C_{1-3} alkyl;

R^8 is hydrogen; and

R^{20} is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_{1-4} alkyl.

Sub B3 23. (Twice amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 1 and one or more pharmaceutical excipients.

7 26. (Once amended) The compound of claim 1 selected from the group consisting of 2-(4-methylaminocarbonylpyrazol-1-yl)adenosine; 2-(4-ethoxycarbonylpyrazol-1-yl)adenosine; 2-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)pyrazol-1-yl]adenosine; 2-[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrazol-1-yl]adenosine; 2-[4-(4-methylphenyl)pyrazol-1-yl]adenosine; and 2-(4-carboxypyrazol-1-yl)adenosine.